



ST. STEPHEN'S NEWS

FRIDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 2026



WHOLE SCHOOL

KITCHEN NEWS

Please see attached our lunch menu for next week. Please can we also remind you that we are a nut free school and no fresh nuts or nut products should be brought into school (this includes peanut butter or hazelnut spread in sandwiches). Thank you.

WORLD BOOK DAY – THURSDAY 5TH MARCH

We are once again going to be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. If children want to dress up as their favourite book character that would be great (but it is not compulsory) and also if they want to bring in their favourite book that would be great too. We will be enjoying a fun day with lots of activities finishing with our author assembly in the afternoon.

ASSESSMENT WEEK – WEEK BEGINNING 9TH MARCH

Please note that Assessment Week will be taking place the week beginning 9th March. This gives us the opportunity to assess children's work in preparation for Parents Evening in April and looking ahead for secondary school for our Year 6 pupils.

LOST PROPERTY

Please check our lost property box outside the School Office if your child has a missing item. Due to the amount of lost property, this box will be cleared on Wednesday of next week – so please check before then.

ARBOR APP/PARENT PORTAL

We now have 86% of parents signed up for the Arbor App. If you are still having issues accessing the Arbor app, please do pop into the school office and we will do our best to help. **You can now delete the ParentMail App.** If parents are not receiving regular emails, please check your junk mail.

THE SCHOOL SITE

Thank you to all parents who now leave the site promptly at 3.30pm. Thank you also to all parents and children who are arriving promptly at 8.45am for their school day to begin. This is making a huge difference to the start of the school day.

EMAILS IN THE LAST WEEK

Please see below a list of correspondence that has been sent home via Arbor this week in case you missed it:-

Year 6 Bikeability confirmation	Year 6
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Year 6 Term 4 Newsletter and Curriculum Overview	Year 6
Online Prevent Training (see attached flier)	Whole School
Forest School – change of day	Year 3
Ramadan – Fasting	Whole School

YEAR 3

KOALA CLASS ASSEMBLY – WEDNESDAY 6TH MAY

Koala Class are looking forward to seeing parents and the rest of the school at their assembly on Wednesday 6th May at 9.10am.

YEAR 4

POSSUM CLASS ASSEMBLY – WEDNESDAY 11TH MARCH

Possum Class are looking forward to seeing parents and the rest of the school at their assembly on Wednesday 11th March at 9.10am.

CAPYBARA CLASS – WEDNESDAY 18TH MARCH

Capybara Class are looking forward to seeing parents and the rest of the school at their assembly on Wednesday 18th March at 9.10am.

YEAR 5

SWIMMING LESSONS

Pufferfish Class will be going swimming again on Friday 6th March. Please ensure your child has their swimming kit with them.

YEAR 6

BIKEABILITY

All children who are taking part, will have now been notified which day they will need to bring their bike into school. If you have any questions, please come to the School Office or contact Mrs Rayner by emailing nrayner@ststephensjuniorschool.co.uk.

YEAR 6 LEAVER'S HOODIES/POLO SHIRTS

Just a reminder that these are now available to purchase through your Arbor App – closing date for purchase is **Friday 6th March**. All details regarding sizing and cost etc. are in the letter sent home on Friday 13th February.

TERM DATES

Monday 2 nd – Friday 6 th March	Year 6 Bikeability
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day and Author Visit
Monday 9 th – Friday 13 th March	Assessment Week (whole school)
Wednesday 11 th March	Possum Class Assembly
Monday 16 th March	Year 3 Roman Museum Trip (information to follow)
Wednesday 18 th March	Capybara Class Assembly
Wednesday 18 th March	Year 3 Roman Museum Trip (information to follow)
Friday 20 th March	“Holi” Festival (information to follow)
Thursday 2 nd April	Last day of Term 4
Friday 3 rd April – Friday 17 th April	Easter Holidays
Monday 20 th April	Start of Term 5
Monday 27 th April	Parents Evening (information to follow)
Tuesday 28 th April	Parents Evening (information to follow)
Monday 4 th May	May Day Bank Holiday (school closed)
Wednesday 6 th May	Koala Class Assembly
Monday 11 th May	Year 6 SATS Week
Thursday 21 st May	Year 5 Showcase (information to follow)
Friday 22 nd May	Last day of Term 5
Monday 1 st June	Start of Term 6